

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0058] of the specification with the following, amended paragraph:

[0058] The particular spacer 302 is generally flat in shape and includes first 303 and second 305 sides between which an intermediately located portion 316 (not visible) of the sleeve wall 310 is sandwiched and spaced away from the intermediate sling portion 314. According to the illustrative embodiment, the tab spacer 302 is closed along its top edges 307 and 309 and open along its intermediate edges 311 and 313. The bottom edge 315 is left open until after the intermediately located portion 316 of the sleeve wall 310 is inserted in between the first 303 and second 305 sides of the spacer 302. Subsequent to insertion of the intermediate portion 316, the bottom edge 315 of the spacer 302 is bonded, for example, using heat or glue, together and to that portion of the intermediate portion 316 of the sleeve wall 310 located near the bottom edge 315 of the spacer 302. With the bottom edge 315 so bonded, the spacer 302 may be removed by cutting from one intermediate edge 311 to the other intermediate edge 313, and then sliding the remaining portion of the spacer 302 off the intermediate portion 316 of the sleeve wall 310. The illustrative spacer 302 also includes an aperture 317, which indicates a location for making the cut between the intermediate edges 311 and 313. The aperture 317 also enables a person to view the intermediate portion 316 of the sleeve wall 310 to verify proper installation into the spacer ~~402~~ 302.